LABOR PLAN TOLD TO FEDERAL BODY

Industrial Relations Commission Hears Working Scheme.

CHICAGO LEADERS TESTIFY

System Comprehends Consolidation of All Like Crafts Into National Union and Centralizing of Associations of Employers.

Chicago, July 25.—The first working plan for the settlement of some of the more aggravated causes of industrial unrest that has been brought to the attention of the United States commission on industrial relations, was described at a sesion in the Hotel La Salle.

This plan portends a comprehensive system for lessening the disputes between capital and labor. It contemplates the consolidation into a national union of all crafts incidental to one line of trdas, centralization of employers' associations and a joint commission of union men and employers to pass upon the troublesome jurisdictional strike.

Simen O'Donnell, president of the Chicago Building Trades council; Charles W. Gindele, president of the Building Construction Employers' association, and John G. Shedd, president of Marshall Field & Co., were the most important witnesses of the day.

It was from O'Donnell and Gindele that the commission received an account of the results that may be obtained when strong associations of employers and employes will treat together. An agreement between the Building Trades council and the Building Construction Employers' association, entered into in July, 1913, according to both O'Donnell and Gindele, has practically eliminated strikes and walkouts in Chicago among unions affiliated with the Building Trades council.

O'Donnell, representing between seventy-five and eighty thousand men, followed Gindele upon the witness stand. The commission had heard a glowing account of the practicability of the plan from the latter.

"I believe," he said, "that the arbitration board as it is now constituted is a great success in every way."

"What remedy will prevent a few striking men throwing many thousands out of work?" O'Donnel was asked.

"The breaking of agreements causes many of these strikes. If all the unions belong to a central national body it would greatly help settlements and prevent such an occurrence as the bricklayers' strike. The employers break their contracts oftener, if anything, than the men, but both are guilty. If both sides lived up to their contracts there would be less hardships."

Shedd Blames Politicians.

John G. Shedd read a statement prepared for the occasion.

"A large element that causes unrest in industry is the prevailing agitation by politicians for purely political purposes, and by irresponsible agitators for purposes of notoriety," he said.

Immigration of unskilled laborers from countries of suppression to one where they have been taught is great personal freedom and golden opportunity, determination of people to sacrifice the comforts of old age by indulging luxuries, high cost of living due to high cost of labor, were causes named by Shedd. Illinois, he said, was well safeguarded by legislation.

Cutting Oats by Lantern Light.

Aurora, Ill., July 25.—Farmers are cutting oats by lantern light in the country surrounding Aurora, to get ahead of the dreaded army worm, which is destroying great fields of oats. It does not attack grain which has been cut. The oat crop this year has been magnificent, but the pest has begun a harvest which has already assumed ruinous proportions.

Near Death From Mosquito Bite.

Waukegan, Ill., July 25.—Fred Winters is near death in McAlister hospital from an attack of blood-poisoning which is attributed to the bite of a mosquito. He is a well-known resident.

Flames Sweeping Through Mines.

El Paso, Tex., July 24.—Flames swept through the workings of two of the largest copper mines at Cananea, Mexico. Rescue apparatus and pulmotors have been sent from Bisbee, Ariz.

Church Sues Morgan Estate.

New York, July 25.—Suit against the trustees of the late J. P. Morgan's estate was filed by St. George's Episcopal church of this city, of which Mr. Morgan was senior warden.

Bubonic Plague Situation.

New Orleans, July 25.—Diagnosis of the tenth case and the discovery of the eighth infected rat were developed yesterday in the bubonic plague situation. The tenth victim, William Ernst, white, aged 50, was employed as bartender.

Four Children Burned to Death.

Taylor, Wis., July 25.—The four children of Richard Roberts, a widower of this town, were burned to death when the home caught fire while the father was away.

Explosion Wrecks Pleasure Craft.

Erie, Pa., July 25.—Six persons had narrow escapes from death late last night when a gasoline explosion wrecked a pleasure launch in Lake Erie. The explosion threw the six passengers into the water, but all were rescued by nearby craft.

Noted Mason Is Dead.

Murfreesboro, Tenn., July 25.—Ex-Congressman James D. Richardson, sovereign grand commander Scottish Rite Masons, southern jurisdiction, died yesterday at his home here.

Ready for War.

Armagh, Ireland, July 25.—A warning was issued to the Ulster volunteers to be ready for instant mobilization. It is stated that of the 9,000 volunteers in Armagh county very few are without equipment which includes maximum guns.

Strikers Riot at St. Johns.

St. John, N. B., July 24.—During three hours of rioting last night in connection with the street car strike here, soldiers charged a mob of 5 thousand persons and dispersed them.

JONES WITHDRAWN

WILSON SURRENDERS TO THE STRONG OPPOSITION TO THE CHICAGO MAN.

WAS HIS "PERSONAL CHOICE"

Senators Hitherto Friendly to Administration Warn President They Are Against the Nominee for Federal Reserve Board.

Washington, July 25.—President Wilson has withdrawn the nomination of Thomas D. Jones of Chicago as a member of the federal reserve board and so accepts the first defeat he has received at the hands of congress.

Mr. Jones was the president's "personal choice" for the board. The president so announced several weeks ago in a letter to Senator Owen, chairman of the banking and currency committee. This letter was the signal for renewed efforts on the part of the senators opposing Jones. Their triumph was signalized by the president's announcement.

The friends of the administration made every effort to swing enough votes to confirm Jones. They were at least five short. The attacks on the president, on Jones and on the Democrats finally became so bitter that the Democratic leaders went to the White House and frantically urged the president to give in.

The climax came when a group of senators who have been regarded as friendly to the administration in the fight sent word to the president that if he forced them to vote they could not and would not support him and his candidate. Among these senators were Clarke of Arkansas, Johnson of Maine and Shively of Indiana. There were eight or nine others in the group, sufficient to convince even the president that the outlook was hopeless.

The president did not take his defeat gracefully. There is an underlying note of bitterness in his letter to Mr. Jones, acceding to his request that his name be withdrawn, and with a certain amount of sarcasm he refers to Senators Reed of Missouri and Hitchcock of Nebraska, who were leading the fight against Jones, as "members of the majority who have usually acted with" the Republicans.

The president's withdrawal of the nomination came at the close of a day in which both the president and Jones were bitterly attacked by senators opposed to the appointment.

Senator Reed of Missouri, Democrat, in a speech to the senate, denounced the Harvester trust, of which Jones is a director; characterized Jones, by inference, as a criminal, and indirectly attacked the president as an enemy of Democracy.

Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska, Democrat, introduced an amendment to the trade commission bill to render ineligible to the federal reserve board any person connected with a corporation such as the Harvester trust.

Senator William Alden Smith of Michigan, Republican, in an interview accused the president of lack of candor in the Jones appointment.

CANAL OPENING AUGUST 15

After That Date Vessels Drawing Not Over Thirty Feet Can Pass Through It.

Washington, July 25.—The Panama canal will be opened for commerce to vessels not needing more than thirty feet of water on and after August 15, 1914. This formal announcement was made by Secretary Garrison.

The official opening of the canal as heretofore announced will be in March, 1915. An announcement will be made when a greater depth of water than thirty feet has been obtained.

On August 15 Colonel Goethals will inaugurate the commercial service by sending a government boat through the canal. There will be no ceremonies incident to the occasion, but those who will be present on the boat will be determined between now and the opening date.

MARINES START FOR HAITI

Transport Prairie Sails From Guantanamo, Efforts Toward Peace Evidently Having Failed.

Washington, July 25.—The navy department announced after conferences with the state department that the transport Prairie with officers and marines has left Guantanamo for a port in Haiti, probably Cape Haitien.

As Captain Eberle of the Washington reports fighting still in progress at Puerto Plata, it appears that the naval officers have failed to bring about peace conferences either in Haiti or San Domingo and that the landing of United States marines may be looked for at any moment.

McReynolds to Wed Soon.

Washington, July 24.—Washington society is momentarily expecting announcement of the negagement of Attorney General McReynolds and Miss Lucy Burleson. Reports fix the wedding date for this autumn.

Children Killed in Trolley Wreck.

Westport, Conn., July 24.—Four children were killed and 40 injured when a trolley car bearing a Sunday school picnic excursion from Bridgeport to Westport collided head-on with a freight car.

Big Battle at Cape Haitien.

Cape Haitien, Haiti, July 22.—A strong attack was made by the rebels on this city, but the assaulting force was eventually repulsed by the government troops. The fighting lasted from 3 to 5 in the morning.

Peace Treaty With Uruguay.

Washington, July 22. — A peace treaty with Uruguay was signed by Secretary of State Bryan and Minister Carlos Maria de Pena. The treaty is based upon the same principle as those with European countries.

Forest Fires in Oregon.

Portland, Ore., July 22.—Forest and brush fires in Oregon did vast damage, which resulted in calling out hundreds of volunteers and pressing into service the full quota of the forest patrols in several districts.

Runaway Girls Are Caught.

Dixon, Ill., July 22.—Margaret Sanderson of Chicago and Jessie Pense of Kewanee, who escaped from the State Gils' Home at Geneva Sunday night, were arrested here as they got out of a freight car.

BOY POLICEMEN ARREST ROOSEVELT

Left to right, Benjamin Goldberg, Max Green and David Pechter, three boy policemen of the East Side Protective association, New York, who journeyed to Oyster Bay, placed Colonel Roosevelt under arrest, and asked him whether he will run for governor. The colonel replied, in the presence of his wife, that he would not be a candidate.

FOLK BUSY AGAIN

NEXT WEEK HE WILL BEGIN INVESTIGATION OF THE ROCK ISLAND.

WELCOMED BY THE COMPANY

Director Asserts the Inquiry Will Uncover Only Its Mistaken Investments in Other Properties, Involving Heavy Losses.

New York, July 24.—The next railroad to be investigated by the interstate commerce commission is the Rock Island, and the inquiry will begin next week.

Joseph W. Folk, who conducted the commission's investigation of the New York, New Haven & Hartford, is expected to appear at the offices of the company, 14 Wall street, next week with a corps of expert accountants to make a preliminary examination of the company's accounts.

A director of the Rock Island declared that the company would welcome an investigation by the interstate commerce commissioners. He said an investigation would only bring to light mistakes made by the Rock Island in its investments in other properties, such as the loss of about $15,000,000 in the acquisition and disposition of the St. Louis & San Francisco; the loss of about $6,000,000 in the purchase and sale of the Chicago & Alton, and about $2,000,000 loss in the purchase of coal properties.

New Haven directors will fight to a finish the effort of the United States government to force them to part with the control of the Boston & Maine stock on the basis demanded by the Massachusetts legislature, namely, that each certificate shall bear a stamp stating that the state has the right at any time to buy the stock "at the fair value thereof in accordance with law."

There will be no effort on the part of the New Haven directors, it was said, to prevent the government going ahead with the dissolution suit ordered by President Wilson, and there is no intention of negotiations for a "consent decree" which would prevent long litigation.

President James H. Hustis, after an all-day conference with attorneys of the road, issued a statement defending the action of the directors in refusing to consent to the demand of the Massachusetts legislature and denying that they had refused to carry out their agreement made with the government.

Jealous Man Kills Wife.

Springfield, Ill., July 21.—Jealous because his wife left him a few months after they were married, Charles Jerdes, aged twenty-four years, farmer of Edinburg, 18 miles southeast of Springfield, began a murderous assault that did not end until he had killed his wife, Mrs. Hela Jerdes, aged eighteen years, probably fatally injured his mother-in-law, Mrs. Frank Gardner, and turned the gun upon himself, inflicting mortal wounds.

Aged Man Hangs Himself.

Petoskey, Mich., July 25.—Andrew Schbenz, aged ninety, prominent in central Michigan where he resided 40 years, hanged himself from a tree in the orchard of his son, Dorus, with whom he had lived the last few years.

Australasians Win at Tennis.

Chicago, July 25.—Norman E. Brooks and Anthony F. Wilding, the world famous tennis players representing Australasia in the Davis cup elimination series, easily vanquished their Canadian rivals in the single matches.

Killed in Auto Accident.

Dubuque, Ia., July 23.—A. B. Wheeler, eighty-four years old, was burned to death when an automobile in which he was riding was struck by a train near Monticello and caught fire. The driver of the car was slightly injured.

Honor Convict Runs Away.

Ottawa, Ill., July 23.—John Wicker of Chicago, an honor convict, escaped from Camp Dunne and eluded pursuers sent after him. Wicker was a member of the road-working detail of convicts from the Joliet penitentiary.

Crops Above the Average.

Washington, July 22. — The composite condition of crops in the United States on July 1 was about 1.4 above their average condition on that date according to the farmers' bulletin issued by the department of agriculture.

Striking Miner Is Killed.

Lexington, Ky., July 22.—J. P. Cox, superintendent of the Bevier Coal company, and a guard fired into 25 strikers who attempted to destroy the office with dynamite. One of the attackers was killed and other wounded.

SUE, SAYS PRESIDENT

ORDERS PROSECUTION OF NEW HAVEN ROAD DIRECTORS.

Position Told in Letters—Civil Action to Dissolve the Railway Combine Also Called For.

Washington, July 23.—Criminal proceedings before a grand jury to punish the directors of the New Haven, and a civil suit to dissolve the railroad combine, will be brought immediately by the department of justice, with the sanction of President Wilson.

The position of the president and Attorney General McReynolds was made public through letters, one from the attorney general to President J. H. Hustis of the New Haven, dated July 9; one to President Wilson from the attorney general, dated July 21, and the president's reply.

The concluding paragraphs of the president's letter is a follows:

"In the circumstances the course you propose is the only one the government can pursue. I therefore request and direct that a proceeding in equity be filed, seeking the dissolution of the unlawful monopoly of transportation facilities in New England now sought to be maintained by the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad company, and that the criminal aspects of the case be laid before a grand jury.

In his letter to the president, Attorney General McReynolds stated that if his recommendations met with approval he would immediately give the necessary directions.

"The criminal aspect of the case," he stated in his letter, "have been kept constantly in mind; much data bearing thereon was collected some months ago, and care has been exercised to permit nothing which might interfere with proper prosecution at the appropriate time. We have not held out the slightest hope that parties guilty of criminal violations of the law could escape.

"In April and May last, there being indication that the interstate commerce commission, by examining them, might immunize certain central figures in the unlawful arrangement, it was asked carefully to consider the effect of such action. Nevertheless, Mellen, and perhaps other flagrantly culpable, were put upon the stand, and any criminal prosecution hereafter instituted probably will be embarrassed by a claim of immunity interposed in their behalf."

Woman Aviator Dashed to Death.

Brussels, July 23.—Mme. Cayat de Castella, a famous woman aviator, fell 1,000 feet and was dashed to death on the ground within twenty feet of her husband, when the automatic parachute in which she attempted a descend from Aviator Champel's biplane failed to work. Three thousand persons saw the accident. Mme. Castella had invented the automatic detaching device of the parachute which caused her death.

Russian Strikers Killed.

St. Petersburg, Russia, July 25.—At least five striking workmen were killed and eight were seriously wounded in the fighting in the streets of St. Petersburg between strikers and Cossacks, which continued all night.

Well Known Nun Is Dead.

Bloomington, Ill., July 25.—Sister Bernardina Krampha, mother superior of St. Joseph's hospital here and prominent in the Franciscan order, is dead. She was formerly in charge of hospitals in Peoria and Burlington, Ia.

Dart Walker, Artist, Is Dead.

South Bend., Ind., July 24.—Dart Walker, famous as an artist, many of his best paintings being at Notre Dame university, is dead. When the end came he was in New York alone and penniless. He was forty-four years old.

Cardinal Gibbons Is Eighty.

Baltimore, Md., July 24.—Cardinal Gibbons spent his eightieth birthday at the Shriver home in Carroll county not far from Westminster. For several years the cardinal has been a guest of this family on his birthday.

Costly Blaze in Pulp Wood.

Quebec, July 23.—Pulp wood valued at nearly half a million dollars was destroyed by a fire at Cape Magdalene, near Three Rivers, Que. The village church and a number of houses were saved by the arrival of firemen.

Swims on Dare and Drowns.

St. Joseph, Mich., July 23.—Taking a dare from his companions to swim a half mile across Lake Chapin at Berrien Springs, Martin Lausten, a student in Emmanuel college, became exhausted and drowned.

ARMISTICE IS SIGNED

HOSTILITIES IN MEXICO ARE TO CEASE AT ONCE.

Full Guarantees to Everybody Are Basis of Peace Negotiations, Announces Gen. Iturbide.

Mexico City, July 24.—Gen. Eduardo Iturbide announced that the government and the constitutionalists have signed an armistice and that all fighting between them will cease at once Gen Iturbide, who spoke for Provisional President Carbajal, is governor of the federal district.

Governor Iturbide added that the peace negotiations will be advanced upon a basis giving full guarantees to everybody. This is taken to mean that General Carranza has agreed to a general amnesty, which is the chief point for which President Carbajal has been contending.

Washington, July 24.—Tangible evidence placed in the hands of the secretary of state by the Carranza wing of the constitutionalists has convinced Mr. Bryan that Consular Agent George E. Carothers has been biased in favor of General Villa. As a result Mr. Carothers will be recalled or dismissed within ten days.

A special representative of the state department will be commissioned to investigate the present situation between Carranza and Villa. John Lind may be sent on this mission. It is held at the White House that the stand Lind took concerning Huerta and his advice to this country to aid the constitutionalists has now been vindicated by the abdication of Huerta.

The A.-B.-C. mediators, Senors Da Gama, Naon and Suarez, called at the White House and exchanged felicitations with the president over what both the mediators and President Wilson term "the success of mediation." It was the formal close of the proceedings.

Vera Cruz, July 24.—It was reported here that a very critical situation had developed in Mexico City. Major Gar said that for five successive nights firing had been going on in the capital and that a sensational jail delivery had taken place at the military prison, followed by depredations by the escaped convicts. Foreigners are reported to be concentrating for defense or leaving the capital.

POLICEMEN AID FAKE BEGGAR

Charity Agent Finds Gotham Bluecoats Give Much Assistance to the Poor.

New York, July 24.—A special agent for the department of charities, who, disguised as a beggar, told a hard luck tale to policemen, filed a report in which he said that forty-seven out of fifty approached are ready to give a helping hand, and some even a dime to a poor fellow who is hungry. The special agent visited all parts of the city and only three policemen he approached refused to listen to his story. The others helped him by suggesting where he could apply for food and several tried to get him a job. Commissioner of Charities Kingsbury was particularly interested to learn how few of the police directed the counterfeit panhandler to the municipal free employment bureau. Only three of them made this suggestion, so coupled with praise for their good sense and civilliness, some information will be given the force on the usefulness of this bureau to men out of work.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRE

Lourdes, France, July 23.—Ten cardinals, among them Cardinal Farley of New York city, 200 archbishops and bishops from all parts of the world are attending the international eucharistic congress here, which will last until July 26. The pope is represented by Cardinal Granito Di Belmonte-Gennaro, who presides.

London, July 21.—King George is to thank President Wilson by personal letter for the latter's success in having passed through congress the Panama canal tolls anti-exemption bill.

Newport, July 23.—Morning dances have become a fad at Newport. Since the smart affair of Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, Jr.

Joliet, Ill., July 24.—Sixteen anonymous letters in which the writer threatens to kill Mayor Harvey E. Wood on sight, have been received by the Joliet city executive. Mayor Wood turned the letters over to the Joliet police, who are seeking a political enemy.

St. Louis, Mo., July 24. -The Polar Wave Ice and Fuel company of St. Louis paid a fine of $25,000 for violation of the anti-trust laws.

Drinks Poison by Mistake.

Pana, Ill., July 25.—Mrs. Fred McCullough of Tower Hill mistook a bottle containing carbolic acid for one which she was using peroxide throat gargle and swallowed an ounce of the drug, dying an hour later.

Huerta Arrives at Jamaica.

Kingston, Jamaica, July 25.—General Huerta and his party arrived here on the German cruiser Dresden from Puerto Mexico. All the refugees were in good health and apparently glad to get away from Mexico.

Murder Defendant a Suicide.

Boston, Mass., July 24.—Lawrence Robinson, charged with the murder of Police Inspector Thomas J. Norton, committed suicide. The prisoner cut his throat with a steel shank which he had removed from one of his shoes.

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Killed in Trolley Car Collision.

Marietta, O., July 23.—One man was killed and 20 persons injured, five of them seriously, when a passenger car and pay car on the Parkersburg & Marietta interurban line collided near Lowell.

U. of I. Professor Falls Dead.

Champagne, Ill., July 23.—Dr. Thacher Howland Guild, head of the dramatic literature department of the University of Illinois, dropped dead while playing tennis on the university courts.

ASSEMBLY HAS ONE-DAY SESSION

THREE LAWS ENACTED IN ONE DAY BY SPECIAL SESSION OF LEGISLATURE.

SPEED TIME RECORD IS SET

Many Republicans Fall in Line With Democrats in Passing Measure—Relieved of Compensation Levy.

(By Denny Donovan.)

Columbus, O.—Administration taxation program, ratified by the General Assembly, provides three new and separate enactments.

1. A reduction of the state levy fixed last winter at .9610 of a mill to .45 of a mill, entailing a saving of $4,000,000 a year in taxes. The levy for sinking fund is cut from .0835 of a mill to .0025 of a mill; the common school levy from .3350 of a mill to .0550 of a mill, and the state highway levy from .5000 of a mill to .2000 of a mill.

2. The repeal of that part of the workmen's compensation act providing that the state and each political subdivision thereof shall pay annually 1 per cent of the regular payrolls for the insurance of public employes, effecting a saving of upward of $300,000 a year.

3. Reserving to the state all oil and mineral rights in school, ministerial and canal lands, providing for re-entry of such lands now under lease in which coal and oil have been discovered, and stipulating for the payment of all revenues derived therefrom into the state common school fund.

The General Assembly adjourned sine die, after an eleven-hour session. Five minutes later the bills were signed by the governor, and they were filed immediately by Secretary of State Charles H. Graves in the archives. Claim is made that this establishes a high record in the history of legislative gatherings.

Columbus, O.—Instead of holding fast in opposition to the Democratic majority, several Republicans in the General Assembly helped to carry through the program for the reduction of the state tax levy. Only one member of the Chief Executive's political party voted against the bill, and he explained that he hesitated only because he was not certain of the future so far as the returns from the grand tax duplicate were concerned. On the other side twenty-one Republicans and one Progressive voted with the majority. Only fourteen Republicans and two Progressives were recorded as negatives. Cleverly combined in the message of recommendation were both an appeal for a cutting off of useless taxes and a defense of the Warnes appointive assessor law, now the center of attack.

Political opponents were taken by surprise by an extract from a message written by then Gov. Joseph Benson Foraker in 1886 denouncing the sins of the wealthy tax-dodgers and recommending to the general assembly the enactment of a measure almost identical in basic terms with the statute now being assailed. Coupled with this was the report made two years later by Senator D. Mead Massie, of Chillicothe, extensively supported for the Republican gubernatorial nomination this year until his voluntary withdrawal, admitting that the elective assessor system was a failure. It was, perhaps, on this account that the Warnes law did not figure prominently in the debate. Expected hostile demonstrations against the policy of the state administration did not come to pass, the minority contenting itself with the presentation of two resolutions asking for a report of the comparative expenditures of 1912, 1913 and the first six months of the present year and an accounting of the funds appropriated for the relief of flood sufferers in 1913. As an alternative to the governor's program of reducing the sinking fund, common school, and road improvement levies, the minority offered a substitute bill in both branches providing for the suspension of the entire road tax for 1815 and the transference of about $5,000,000 from the unexpended balance in the general revenue fund to the state highway department. This was rejected by the majority by virtually a unanimous vote, a lone Democrat in either house for it—one, Senator J. M. Beckett, of Pickway, making an error in replying to his name. Following the summons, the minority held a conference previous to the session at which it quickly was made manifest that the leadership could not rely upon a united party.

By a general provision all oil and general rights in canal lands are hereafter reserved. Had this been done 80 years ago, Senator Lloyd, author of the bill, said, there would never have been any necessity for a state levy for schools, as the income from the wasted land would have kept up the system without taxation. The bill passed the senate, 21 to 6, and an emergency clause tacked on, 22 to 7. In the house the measure went through under a suspension of the rules, 86 to 7, and the emergency clause was adopted after a long haul by a vote of 82 to 7.

Garb For Prisoners.

Six new looms have been ordered by the state board of administration and will be installed immediately at the penitentiary. When these are put in running order the state expects to be able to make all the woolen prison clothes needed at the penitentiary. If the experiment is the success that is expected, a dozen more looms will be installed and prison clothes and jeans enough to supply the entire demand of the different state institutions will be manufactured at the penitentiary. Last year the state purchased 22,000 yards of gray prison cloth for 77 cents per yard, which amount was required to furnish the prison garb. At Mansfield 90,000 yards was purchased at prices varying from 65 cents to $1.05 per yard. At the reformatory besides making the clothing needed for the inmates, hundreds of suits are made which are sent to county institutions of the state.

Use Traps as Weapons.

A fierce army has invaded the statehouse, and how to repulse it is a problem which Adjt.-Gen. George H. Wood and the officers comprising the strategy board of the Ohio National Guard are trying to solve. The army is one of rats, mostly of the large and voracious variety, and the only part of the building which they have not thus far succeeded in investing is the dome, reached only after clambering long and torturous winding stairs. The military arm of the state hopes to check their advance and prevent the rodents from taking possession of it.

Child Welfare Work.

The first examination that has ever been conducted by the state civil service commission that has not limited its class to actual residents of the state of Ohio, is to be held on August 4. This examination is to be nation-wide, and applications from any state will be received. The reason for this is that the best possible help may be obtained for the new juvenile research department which is to be established under the supervision of the board of administration.

Pen Labor Will Save.

The contract has been awarded for the last time to a private firm for the manufacture of automobile tags for the state, if the state board of administration has its way about the matter. The matter of manufacturing these tags at the penitentiary has been investigated by H. S. Riddle, consulting engineer of the administration board, and he stated this week that the tags can be manufactured by the state at a saving of from $20,000 to $25,000 a year.

Always Few Little Jobs.

An unusual number of good positions are provided for in the examinations to be held during the next thirty days by the state civil service commission. Among these is the position of cashier for the penitentiary, which carries with it a salary of $1,200 per year. Applicants should be men of such business experience as will qualify them for purchasing and sales agent, bookkeeping and all around office work.

Challenge Is Delayed.

The challenge of the newly-devised "spotting charge," instituted with the state utilities commission by iron plants at Jackson will not be tried for some time, as the answers of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, just filed, disclose the fact that no attempt will be made to assess and collect the same, because of the indefinite suspension of the tariff carrying the same and by the interstate commerce commission.

Insure Employes Lives.

Celebrating its one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary, the Methodist Book Concern announces that it has taken the means of best celebrating the anniversary by insuring all its employes' lives. This insurance is effective for the amount of one year's salary, not to exceed $2,400, the limit of insurable age being 63 years. Over 1,000 employes, men and women, will profit by the insurance which will aggregate over $1,000,000.

Work Is Started.

Work on the welcoming sign which the Columbus Convention and Publicity Association is erecting on the buildings opposite the Union Station, is progressing rapidly, after a month's delay, due to difficulty in securing material. The various sections of the sign have been set in place on their supporting framework and the electric lights have been attached.

To Reduce Allowance.

An effort, it is reported, will be made to reduce the allowance of the city board of health $400 in the semi-annual appropriation ordinance which will be introduced in council Monday night. Those back of the move say this amount represents an increase the board of health has authorized in the salary of Dr. Louis Kahn, health officer.

Reckless Driving Must Stop.

The strong arm of the state is to be used to prevent reckless automobile driving. It is said that a recommendation will be made to the next legislature that a portion of the license fees be used for the maintenance of state traffic officers whose duty it will be to curb the speed craze. These officers will act in cities as corner men, while others will patrol country roads. Names of reckless drivers will be kept on file and if they refuse to obey the speed laws their licenses will be withdrawn, at least temporarily.

CARING FOR THE DUCKLINGS

Little Ones Should Be Allowed to Remain in Incubator for Twenty-four Hours Before Fed.

After the ducklings are hatched they should remain in the incubator for twenty-four hours, or until the twenty-ninth day. They should then be removed and placed in brooders, about one hundred in each, after which they are fed and watered for the first time. The first few days they should be guarded very closely; do not allow them to become wet or chilled, and after feeding, see that all get back into the brooder. In the course of a few days they become accustomed to their surroundings and give no more trouble in this respect. Their food during the first week consists of equal parts of cornmeal and wheat bran, mixed to a crumbly mass with either water, whole milk or skimmed milk. They should be fed this mixture every two hours—what they will eat up clean, no more, no less. During the following five weeks they should be fed four times daily on equal parts of wheat bran, corn meal and ground oat feed, 5 per cent beef meal, 5 per cent grit and some green stuff, such as cut rye, chopped cabbage, etc.

The seventh and eighth weeks they should be fed three times daily with equal parts of corn meal and wheat, 10 per cent beef scraps, 5 per cent grit and plenty of green stuff. From this time until the tenth week they should be fed three times daily two-thirds corn meal and one-third wheat bran, 10 per cent beef scraps, 5 per cent grit and very little green stuff. At this age with the above method of feeding the young ducks should weigh from 5 to 6 pounds each and be ready for market.

Apple Is Leader.

No fruit in the north temperate zone can take the place of the apple as a food product. Many other fruits, indeed, most cultivated fruits, rank as luxuries, but the apple, in most parts of the United States, is one of the leading staple products of the farm.

PLAN THREE-CORNERED DEBATE AT REUNION

PAST AND PRESENT OHIO ASSEMBLYMEN TO HEAR CANDIDATES EXPRESS VIEWS.

Dates of Akron Meeting Have Been Changed in Order to Make First Scheme of Its Kind in the State Effective.

Columbus.—Through arrangements just completed the reunion of present and former members of the legislature is to be turned into a big political debate in which leading candidates of the three major political parties, Democratic, Republican and Progressive, are to participate. Nothing like the present plan ever has been tried.

While candidates for governor and United States senator are given topics that do not raise political questions, it is the mutual understanding of members of the committee that it shall be a three-cornered debate in which the seekers shall have an opportunity to tell the people of the state where they stand upon issues upon which the campaign this fall will be fought.

To make the scheme effective the dates of the reunion were changed from Aug. 20, 21 and 22 to Sept. 10, 11 and 12. The earlier dates would have thrown the reunion into the period between the nominating primaries and the platform conventions, before lines and policies had been settled upon. The reunion scene will be Akron and the lakes in that region.

The banquet will be held Sept. 10 at the Portage hotel in Akron, with Senator C. J. Howard of Belmont county as presiding officer and Lieut. Gov. W. A. Greenlund as toastmaster. Former Speaker Freeman T. Eagleson will welcome the lawmakers. The formal announced subjects and speakers will be:

"What Thinkest Thou?" Representative John F. Kramer of Richland; "The Public Officer and His Duty," Senator John L. McDermott of Trumbull; "Our State," by the Progressive candidate for governor, James R. Garfield; "The Call of the Nation," by the Democratic candidate for United States senator, to be determined by the primaries in August; "Ohio Ideals," by the Republican candidate for governor; "The Flag," by the Republican candidate for senator; "The Business Man and National Politics," by the Progressive candidate for United States senator, Arthur L. Garford; "Ohio's Place Among the States," by the Democratic candidate for governor.

Sept. 11 the reunion will inspect the Akron rubber factories, the state normal school at Kent and have an outing on lakes ending with a fish dinner.

In the evening will be the annual ball at silver Lake. On Saturday, Sept. 12, will be an auto trip to the farm of Ohio C. Barber, seven miles from Akron.

Institute Instructs Mothers.

Canton. — The first steps toward forming a child life center here were taken when Mrs. Helen Paulsen, Miss Mary Reutter and a staff of workers of the American Institute of Child Life addressed a meeting of Canton mothers.

According to the promoters, mothers will be taught how to bring up a child properly and will be instructed the kind of play necessary for its proper development. Demonstrations were given at playgrounds. Other details will be taken up later.

State Aids Widow.

Columbus. — Mrs. Katherina Machan of Toledo was awarded $2,527 from the workmen's accident insurance fund by the state industrial commission for the death of her husband, Joe Machan, employed at the Toledo Shipbuilding Co. Three children under three years of age survive. The ward will be paid in weekly installments of $16 for six years.

Valentine Dovit of Canton was awarded $1,485 for loss of his right hand. Fred Zimmerman of Youngstown was given $600 for partial loss of vision of his right eye. William H. Krigbaum of McLuney, Perry county, was given $441 for an injury to his eye.

Bank Closes Its Doors.

Columbus. — The Putnam County Banking company of Ottawa, one of the oldest banks in northwestern Ohio, voluntarily closed its doors following a conference by bankers of that city and Examiners J. A. Holmes and W. A. Hollington of the state banking department. The capital stock of the bank was $25,000 and it had deposits of $300,000. In a statement issued by Superintendent of Banks Emery Lattenner, the view was expressed that the present management of the bank is not to blame for the trouble, which is ascribed to a lot of old loans and investments.

Fire Menaces Lives.

East Liverpool. — Fire of incendiary origin broke out in the mercantile and manufacturing section of this place, destroying two buildings and trapping in a third 50 people who escaped with difficulty.

Protruding Foot Leads to Arrest.

Canton. — John Marshall, aged 16, is held here on a robbery charge. A foot protruding from beneath a lumber pile drew the attention of officers seeking him. Police sought him for robbing a second-hand store.

Kills Himself in Hotel.

Youngstown. — Frank Fornick shot himself through the heart in his room in a hotel here. No motive is known. Fornick had claimed both Wheeling, W. Va., and Ashtabula as his home.

Six Are Hurt in Auto Crash.

Canton. — Six persons were injured when an automobile owned by A. M. McCarty, 817 Market av, carrying a party of members of the Stark county bar to Congress lake, collided with an automobile driven by Mrs. F. C. Sparks, Akron.

Poisoned, Sues Cannery.

Coshocton. — Charging that he and his three children were stricken by ptomaine poisoning after partaking of a can of tomatoes, Rev. E. R. Bennett of Newcomerstown has brought suit for $3,000 damages against a Circleville canning concern.

Ohio 'Forty-Niner' Is Dead.

Findlay. — David R. Wright, aged 89 years, California gold seeker of '49, Civil war veteran and Indian fighter for many years, died here following a stroke of apoplexy.